

Military Information from Doberitz

25X1 LOCATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

PERIOD OF CONTENT February, 18 March to 2 April 1952

25X1 18 OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 23 April 1952

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REFERENCES [REDACTED]

ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) 2

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2. On 18 March, a column of 4 officers and 119 men armed with rifles and a second column of 4 officers and 141 men also armed with rifles were seen marching from the Loewen Kaserne on Highway No 103. (1)

3. On 20 March, 7 trucks each carrying 10 to 12 men and towing a mortar of about 120-mm and a second column of 4 trucks, each towing a 37-mm AA gun and carrying 6 men drove to Altes Lager, coming from the Dallgow railroad station. (2)

4. On 20 March, a column of 1 amphibious car and 15 sidecar motorcycles coming from the direction of Olympisches Dorf drove on Highway No 103 and went to Rohrbeck via Muehlenstrasse. On 25 March, a column of 12 full-track prime movers, each towing a 122-mm field howitzer, [REDACTED] and carrying 1 officer and 12 to 14 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia went to the Dallgow railroad station on Highway No 103 coming from the direction of Olympisches Dorf and passing to the east of the Altes Lager. The vehicles were later seen at the railroad station in Dallgow. (3) 25X1

5. On 21 March, three cross-country vehicles of a hitherto unknown type, each carrying two men wearing red-bordered black epaulets, drove from the direction of the Kavallerie Schule Krampnitz in the direction of Doberitz. (4)

6. On 18 March, 25X1 [REDACTED] each carrying 20 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets with field equipment, and towing a 120-mm mortar left the Adler Kaserne and proceeded in the direction of the troop training grounds.

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8. On 2 April, the Loewen Kaserne and Adler Kaserne were occupied by a tank regiment under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Lefchenko (fnu). A total of 60 T-34 tanks were sheltered in the three garages of the Loewen Kaserne. On 31 March, a company marched out of the Loewen Kaserne for combat firing at the training field. The first 4 to 5 ranks of 5 men each carried machine guns, the following 4 to 5 tanks carried a type of light machine gun and the others carried rifles. The rifle was about as long as the German model-98 K carbine, had a barrel without water jacket, a funnel-shaped muzzle which flared out about 3 cm, a round magazine about 25 cm in diameter and about 3.5 cm high fitted to the bolt mechanism.

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Comments.

25X1 (1) Adler and Loewen Kaserne from a unit is believed to house one or two mechanized regiments of the 1st Mecz Div, rather than a tank regiment. In early October 1951, the 19th Mecz Regt was identified in the installation.

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(2) The mortars are indicative of the unidentified mortar regiment of the 1st Mecz Div which may possibly be quartered in Altes La or. Reported observations of tanks, including T-34s, tend to indicate both the 72d Gds Hvy Tank SP Regt and the 219th Tank Regt of the 1st Mecz Div as stationed there.

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25X1 (3) also reported the loading of howitzers of the 1st Mecz Div on 25 March

25X1 (4) A rough sketch indicated that the vehicle was a six-seated and presumably armored jeep-like car with cross-country mobility and two machine guns.

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